House Resolution No.

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to honor remarkable Show-Me State couples who have experienced the good fortune of success in marriage, a most delightful task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

Whereas, the union of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ertel, residents of Raytown, Missouri, is characterized by their enduring affection and serves as a glorious illustration of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, Paul and Rhoda Ertel commemorated the joyous occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a dinner hosted by their loved ones on July 23, 2005, at the Country Club Plaza, followed by an ice cream social on July 24, 2005, at the Rice Tremonti Home; and

Whereas, as they proudly marked this splendid milestone in their life, Paul and Rhoda Ertel undoubtedly looked back with satisfaction upon all that has transpired since they pledged their eternal love to one another and began their long, joyful walk down life's path; and

Whereas, it was five wondrous decades ago that Paul and Rhoda Ertel joined their hands, their hearts, and their lives together in a solemn nuptial ceremony officiated by the Reverend L.H. Mayfield on July 23, 1955, in Cincinnati; and

Whereas, over the course of the past half century, Paul and Rhoda Ertel have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include Gene Ertel and Dr. Theresa Goedeke of Tallahassee, Florida, and Asher and Bonnie Ertel and Mike Conley of Kansas City; and

Whereas, Paul and Rhoda Ertel have participated in communities in England, the Philippines, Hong King, Korea, India, Canada, South Africa, and many counties in the United States; and

Whereas, Paul and Rhoda Ertel have distinguished themselves as a remarkable couple, whose fifty years of shared joy and contentment so beautifully illustrate the strength, grace, and splendor of the lasting marriage bond:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Paul and Rhoda Ertel upon the joyous occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary and in further wishing them continued happiness in the years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ertel.

Offered by
Representative Will Kraus
District No. 48
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted, 2005.
Rod Jetton, Speaker